



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

DA 07-3423

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Re: Call Sign: E050244
File No.: SES-STA-20070518-00680

Dear Mr. DelNero:

On May 18, 2007, Grupo W COM, S.A. de C.V. (Grupo W COM) filed the above-captioned request for special temporary authority (STA) to operate its licensed conventional Ku-Band¹ VSAT network, which uses 1.2 meter antennas, in the extended Ku-Band² frequencies. Grupo W COM proposes to use the Intelsat 1R at 45° W.L. as a point of communication. Pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §0.261, we deny the STA request.

Because Federal Government and non-Federal systems share the 13.75-14.0 GHz band on a co-primary basis, we sent Grupo W COM's STA request to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) for coordination. NTIA indicates³ that operation of the earth station as proposed, which uses 1.2 meter antennas rather than 4.5 meter antennas, would not protect U.S. radiolocation receivers. Consequently, we deny the request.

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §0.261, we deny Grupo W COM's STA request.

Sincerely,

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International Bureau

¹ 11.7-12.2 and 14.0-14.5 GHz bands.

² 10.95-11.2, 11.45-11.7, and 13.8-14.0 GHz bands.

³ See Letter from Thomas S. Woods, Chief, Frequency Assignment Branch, Spectrum Services Division, Office of Spectrum Management, NTIA to Mr. Scott Kotler, Chief Systems Analysis Branch, Satellite Division, International Bureau, FCC (July 20, 2007).